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September 2, 1904 1800

Death rate of Berlin and other cities.

The death rate of Berlin for the week ended July 30 was lower than. that of the preceding week, amounting, calculated on the year, to 16.1 per 1,000 of the population, thus being also lower than the rate for the same week of last year, in which it amounted to 17.5 per 1,000. Of the large German towns and cities, only 6 had a lower rate of mortality than Berlin, namely, Hamburg, Altona, Kiel, Brunswick, Charlottenburg (with 12.2), and Schöneberg (with 9.6). The death rate of London corresponded almost exactly with that of this city, while the following cities had considerably higher rates, namely, Munich, Stuttgart, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Bremen, Dresden, Rixdorf (22.7), Cologne (38.6), Aix la Chapelle, Halle, Leipzig, Magdeburg, Breslau, Königsberg, Hanover, Nuremberg, as well as Paris and Vienna. The rate of mortality among children in the first year of life showed a slight increase, amounting to 6.8 per year and mille. Acute diseases of the respiratory organs showed an abatement, claiming this week 47 victims. Acute intestinal diseases, on the contrary, showed an increase, causing 188 deaths (compared with 154 in the preceding week). Seventy-five infants succumbed to cholerine, while phthisis pulmonalis claimed 72 Furthermore, there were registered 37 deaths from cancer, 13 deaths from scarlet fever, 7 deaths from measles, 6 deaths from diphtheria, and 3 deaths from enteric fever. Finally, 10 persons died by violence.

HAWAII.

Reports from Honolulu—Quarantine transactions.

Chief Quarantine Officer Cofer reports, August 8, 10, and 15, as follows:

Week ended August 6, 1904: Vessels certified without fumigation, 3; vessels fumigated and certified, 4; vessels certified as having failed to comply with sanitary restrictions, 1; vessels fumigated to kill rats, 3.

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Quarantine transactions in the Hawaiian Islands for the month of July, 1904.

HONOLULU.

Incoming quarantine.

Steam vessels inspected and passed	21
Crew on steam vessels	2,534
Passengers on steam vessels	4,466
Sailing vessels inspected and passed	10
Crew on sailing vessels	149
Passengers on sailing vessels.	22
Sick in detention from last month	0
Detention from last month.	0
Sick in detention for this month.	0
Detention for this month	0
Pieces of baggage disinfected	0
Packages of freight disinfected	0
Vaccination	0
Steam vessels disinfected	0
Sailing vessels disinfected	0

HILO, HAWAII.

Steam vessels inspected and passed0Crew on steam vessels0Passengers on steam vessels0Sairling vessels inspected and passed2Crew on sailing vessels30Passengers on sailing vessels7
MAHUKONA, HAWAII.
Steam vessels inspected and passed0Crew on steam vessels0Passengers on steam vessels0Sailing vessels inspected and passed2Crew on sailing vessels16Passengers on sailing vessels0
LAHAINA, MAUI.
Steam vessels inspected and passed0Crew on steam vessels0Passengers on steam vessels0Sailing vessels inspected and passed1Crew on sailing vessels18Passengers on sailing vessels0

Kahului, Kihei, and Koloa, no transactions.

Leprosy on steamship Alameda from San Francisco.

A leper was found in the person of a Japanese on board the steamer Alameda, arriving here from San Francisco on August 12. The case was turned over to the Hawaiian Board of Health, who gave the man the option of commitment to Molokai or immediate return to Japan. The action of the board of health in taking the case is much appreciated by this office, as the Immigration office was powerless to act in the matter.

Case on steamship Coptic bacteriologically proved to be plague.

Honolulu, August 26, 1904.

WYMAN, Washington:

Cultures show death on *Coptic*, arriving August 22, due plague, not typhus fever. Suggest Cumming disinfect vessel, not hold cabin passengers.

Cofer.

Death from plague at Honololu—Outgoing quarantine recommended and authorized.

Honolulu, August 26, 1904.

WYMAN, Washington:

There was a death from plague on August 23. Recommend outgoing quarantine, including passengers, as before. Request authority to employ three attendants.

COFER.

Washington, August 26, 1904.

Cofer, Honolulu:

Put on outgoing quarantine as recommeded.

WYMAN.